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DA

I have just had a month away from work which included a fortnight in hospital. I hope you will therefore forgive me for not answering your letter of 26th August before.

The tent of your letter led me to believe that quite a lot must have gone on at the Hockey Club involving you which I was quite unaware of. This comes of occupying this rather remote position.

I do not particularly want to go into the whys and wherefores, but what I have learnt since hearing from you is that everybody would be very saddened if you carried out your threat to hand
in your resignation. I should also be very upset if I thought
I had been made an innocent means of offering you an Honorary
Membership.

As you rightly say, you have had 19 years of membership with Hampstead and it would have been quite stupid of us to let you assume that your active membership should be ended. There are still a number of Honorary Members who take an active part in the game. If you decided to resign, which I earnestly hope you won't do, your name would be indelibly removed from our future records. Before this happens you may like to get in touch with me.

(T B Stafford)

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